# **EXHIBIT A**

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Criminal

v.

No. 98-427

THOMAS BRODO, JAMES BROWN : and RICHARD CALANNI,

TRANSCRIPT OF

PROCEEDINGS

,

Defendants.

Newark, New Jersey December 1, 1998

BEFORE:

THE HON. ALFRED M. WOLIN, U.S.D.J.

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               THE COURT CLERK: No.
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               THE COURT: I'm sorry.
               Please swear them.
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               THE COURT CLERK: Gentlemen, will you raise your right
     hands and place your left hands on the bible?
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      THOMAS GEORGE
                               BRODO, sworn.
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                               BROWN, sworn.
      JAMES
                RUDOLPH
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                     CALANNI, sworn.
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      RICHARD
               THE COURT CLERK: Would each of you state your name
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      for the record, please?
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                DEFENDANT BRODO: Thomas George Brodo, B-r-o-d-o.
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                DEFENDANT BROWN: James Rudolph Brown.
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                DEFENDANT CALANNI: Richard Calanni.
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                THE COURT CLERK: Thank you.
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                THE COURT: And I take it, counsel, that you have no
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       objection to my engaging in an inquiry of your respective
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      clients.
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                MR. HESS: No objection.
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                MR. McGOVERN: No objection.
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                MR. MORIARTY: No objection.
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                THE COURT: We'll start where we were.
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                How old are you, Mr. Brodo?
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                DEFENDANT BRODO: Fifty-one, Your Honor.
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                THE COURT: Mr. Brown?
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                DEFENDANT BROWN: Forty-two.
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THE COURT: Did you generally understand that, in the				
ordinary course, at the time of closing on a property which you				
appraised, the mortgage loan proceeds would be sent by or				
through the lender to an attorney for disbursement at the				
closing?				
DEFENDANT CALANNI: Yes, Your Honor, I did.				
THE COURT: In this period, did you, by agreement and				
understanding with others, issue appraisal reports which				
overstated the value of the subject properties?				
DEFENDANT CALANNI: Yes, Your Honor.				
THE COURT: Were various of your reports false in				
that, while the properties were actually in a state of				
disrepair, you assigned values to them as if the properties had				
been repaired and improved, without disclosing that important				
fact in the resulting reports?				
DEFENDANT CALANNI: True, Your Honor.				
THE COURT: Did various of your reports falsely state				
that the properties in their current "as is" condition required				
no repairs?				
DEFENDANT CALANNI: Yes, Your Honor.				
THE COURT: Was it your understanding that a number of				
the appraisal reports which you prepared in this period related				
to properties as to which Walsh Securities was the lender?				
DEFENDANT CALANNI: That's true, Your Honor.				
THE COURT: At a meeting which occurred at Walsh				

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with the government. On more than one occasion he brought documents in to me that he found that I submitted to the government to review on his own without them even looking for it and he'll continue to do that.

We just ask the Court to allow him to stay with his family, to work. He's never missed a day of work since then. He's been a chauffeur, lost his license, voluntarily turned it in, will lose it anyway as a result of his conviction but he turned in it. He just wants to be with his family, Judge. Thank you.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Calanni, now is the time afforded to you. I'll be pleased to hear anything you'd like to say.

THE DEFENDANT: I'd like to, first of all, thank the court for hearing me personally and my attorney and Mr. Leibman, and understanding that the beginning where I was kind of icy, as Mr. Leibman indicated, until I did get counsel and understand where exactly this was going, and what I have done with the work on my part I guess leaded to an area of criminal activity and getting caught up in that. Why it happened at this point is unimportant but it did happen, and the pain and suffering from that and in retrospect and how can you correct it, you can't, because you can't do it again and you wouldn't even think of doing it. It's caused my family pain. It's caused myself pain.

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It caused us just to live with your name marked forever, and the emotions is just more than anyone could have imagined.

I apologize to the Court and I think the greatest effect that all this has had was with the society itself. I used to come down here to pretrial and couldn't believe how busy they were and just to see what was happening is sad. And all I can do is apologize on my end and just want to go on with my life and start a new but not forget the past, and use that as part of my growth as opposed to denying it.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Leibman, within the terms of the plea agreement --

MR. LEIBMAN: Your Honor, the government has nothing to add.

THE COURT: All right. I've heard you, Mr.

Calanni, and I think there is great emotion and pain .

involved. Whenever anybody is charged with the commission of a crime, the pain and emotion is not only yours, it's everyone who cares about you, impacts your family. You hurt a lot of people. You did eight fraudulent appraisals. You heard me go, I know you heard before speaking about the real estate market, how destructive flips are to our society, and how it undermines the public confidence in land sales and people like Mr. Grieser, who were allegedly the beneficiaries of these land flips.

You weren't making the big money but you were a

link in the chain that permitted this to occur because without the fraudulent appraisals with their falsely inflated values, Banker's Trust and even Walsh Securities could not have been victimized. So, you played a role in that.

I think that it's important that you stand here today and say I haven't forgotten the past and that the past hopefully is going to be a foundation for the future because we should always learn from what has occurred. There's not a day that I come to this Court that I don't learn.

Sometimes I ask questions to increase my learning curve and to develop insight into the human species that appears before me, so, life is a constant learning experience and I don't ask people to go out and commit crimes in order to learn how they should live their life in the future, but when it does occur, hopefully it's that type of experience that will permit you to return to the normalcy of your life, your church which you're involved with, whatever community endeavors that you've been involved with in the past.

And, so, pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984 and Section 5K1.1, it is the judgment of the Court that you, Mr. Calanni, are hereby placed on probation for a term of five years. While on probation you shall not commit another federal, state or local crime, shall be prohibited from possessing a firearm or other dangerous device, shall

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2	FOR THE DISTRICT OF CIVIL NO. 97-3496	NEW JERSEY
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3	WALSH SECURITIES,	· :
4	INC.,	:
5	Plaintiff,	:
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7	CRISTO PROPERTY	:
8	MANAGEMENT, LTD., et al.,	:
9	Defendants.	DEPOSITION UPON
10	and	: ORAL EXAMINATION : OF
11	COMMONWEALTH LAND	: RICHARD CALANNI :
12	TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY,	<b>:</b>
13	Defendant/	
14	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
15	V	
16	ROBERT WALSH and ELIZABETH ANN DE MOLA,	
17	Third-Party	:
18	Defendants.	:
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      offices of BOIES, SCHILLER & FLEXNER, LLP
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      150 John F. Kennedy Parkway, Short Hills, New Jersey,
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      on Wednesday, January 10, 2007, commencing at 10:05 a.m.
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      APPEARANCES:
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      Short Hills, New Jersey 07078
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Cross-examination by Mr. Hayes Calanni - direct RICHARD CALANNI, having been first duly sworn, testifies as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. KOTT: Mr. Calanni, I attempted to serve a subpoena on you. I'm not sure we ever made service. I think you are here because you 

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indicated you didn't get a witness appearance fee for

received in the mail my letter, but I note from

talking to either my secretary or to me, you had

Calanni 1 10 07 dep transcript ASCII.txt 10 today. I brought with me McCarter check number 11 12 345058 dated December 27, 2006, payable to you in the amount of \$85.11. 13 14 MR. KOTT: Unless some counsel says 15 there is something improper about me providing Mr. Calanni with a witness feet and mileage --16 17 MR. MAGNANINI: No. 18 MR. KOTT: I'm handing that to 19 Mr. Calanni. Mr. Calanni, my name is David Kott. We 20 Q met on a few occasions in this case. 21 22 I think you know I'm a lawyer and I 23 represent one of the defendants, Commonwealth Land 24 Title, in the lawsuit that Mr. Magnanini has started 25 on behalf of Walsh Securities. 5 Calanni - direct The lawyer to my left is Ed Hayes. 1 2 Mr. Hayes represents two other title insurance companies who have also been sued, and the lawyer to 3 4 his left is an attorney whose name I do not know. 5 MR. MURPHY: Keith Murphy. 6 Q Keith Murphy, who is here representing a 7 title agent and Coastal Title, who also has been sued by Mr. Magnanini on behalf of Walsh. 8 9 What we are doing today is a deposition. Have you ever done this before? 10 11 Α No. 12 Let me -- you testified under oath, is Q 13 that correct? Page 4

#### Calanni 1 10 07 dep transcript ASCII.txt 14 No. I read your plea and your sentencing. 15 0 16 Were they under oath? I don't think so. 17 Α Okay. 18 Q Let me tell you some ground rules for 19 today's deposition. The man to your left, Howard 20 Rappaport, is a court reporter, and he will take down 21 everything that is stated in the deposition. 22 For that reason you need to answer out 23 loud. You cannot answer with a nod of the head or 24 things like that because Mr. Rappaport cannot take 25 6 Calanni - direct down a nod of the head. 1 Do you understand that? 2 Yes, I do. 3 Α Do you also understand that a deposition 4 Q is a question and answer period where the attorneys 5 are asking the questions and you, as a witness, is 6 7 giving the answers? Α 8 Yes. 9 If you are asked a question today and Q you do not understand the question, will you tell us 10 11 you do not understand it? Absolutely. 12 Α So if you answer a question today, we 13 Q will assume that you understood it. Is that okay 14 15 with you? If I answer a question today, it's -- as 16 Α

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        RICHARD
                         CALANNI, residing at
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              One Old Farm Road, Tinton Falls, New Jersey,
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              being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:
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        DIRECT EXAMINATION
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        BY MR. MAGNANINI:
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                      Mr. Calanni, thank you for coming back.
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        I think I got this stuff streamlined so we can get
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        this done relatively quickly. Most of my questions
        are follow-ups to questions that were asked at the
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        last session. So if I'm jumping around a bit and
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        you need some clarification or context, just ask me.
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                      okay.
                      You recall the instructions Mr. Kott
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21	Calanni 1 22 07 dep transcript ASCII.TXT and federal law there is no intent. As long as you		
22	were part of a little bit of this and a little bit		
23	of that, you're guilty.		
24	Now, don't make me a perjurer because		
25	that's the way the law was defined to me in a		
	Calanni - direct 306		
1	layman's term. I've explained everything to you the		
2	way I explained it to the FBI and my attorney. You		
3	know, I'm getting new problems here now? You're		
4	telling me I'm perjurizing myself.		
5	Q I'm not telling you that.		
6	When Kellie O'Neill asked you to take		
7	Cristo off as an owner, hadn't you done some		
8	appraisals where you listed Cristo as an owner?		
9	A That is why she took me to take the		
10	name off. The name was on. The name, Cristo		
11	Management, was on as an owner. I believe it was on		
12	one or two of the comparables. I found a previous		
13	owner.		
14	Q I wanted to deal when Cristo was an		
1.5	owner. Did you do some appraisals where the owner		
16	was listed as Cristo?		
17	A Yes.		
18	Q Were those among the appraisals that		
19	you were paid to do by either Kane or Cristo?		
20	A Yes.		
21	Q So wouldn't that be a conflict of		
22	interest, to do an appraisal where you were paid by		
23	the seller?		
24	A No. Didn't Bob just say he hired an		
25	appraiser for himself and he paid the appraiser?		
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## **EXHIBIT E**

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11	COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE INSURANCE	. ROLAND PIERSON
12	COMPANY,	
13	Defendant/ Third-Party	
14	Plaintiff,	
15	V.	
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For the Witness

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- 21 about two minutes and that was it.
- 22 Q What was that fellow doing in
- 23 Mr. Calanni's house, if you know?
- 24 A I do not know. He was there when I
- 25 arrived. I assumed at the time they were discussing

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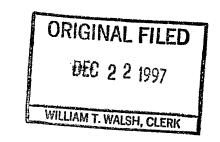
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- 1 business. I was introduced to him, and there was a
- 2 little small talk, glad to have you on board type
- 3 stuff.
- 4 Q The Assistant United States Attorney who
- 5 prosecuted you at your sentencing seemed to indicate
- 6 that you really had no involvement with most of what
- 7 went on here, no direct involvement, is that correct?
- 8 A That is correct.
- 9 Q How did you get caught up in this?
- 10 A Mr. Calanni gave me a call. A few years
- 11 prior to that I had done some appraisals for him, and
- he had asked me initially if I would do some review
- 13 appraisals for him. He said he was doing a lot of
- 14 appraisals for one company, and because of the amount
- of them, they wanted a second signature. I agreed to
- 16 do this on there.
- 17 Later on it came in that they needed
- different people, they wanted more than just him
- 19 signing on the appraisals, which is not uncommon.
- 20 Banks and mortgage companies don't generally like too
- 21 many of their appraisals done by one person. So he
- asked if I would do some, and particularly out of the
- 23 area that he was working in primarily.

Pierson Transcript.TXT 24 As a result of that I did, oh, geez, two 25 or three, I think, appraisals in Trenton, and I did 18 Pierson - direct one or two Red Bank, one of which was a redo of one 1 2 that he had done. 3 He then said that he needed and wanted me to sign the appraisals that he was doing in Asbury 4 Park because he had to sign too many of them with his 5 name, and I very foolishly agreed. 6 Okay. Thank you for that answer because I got a lot of information. 8 9 I'm going to ask you to explain some 10 things to me because I'm not an appraiser. 11 Α All right. You referred that Mr. Calanni wanted you 12 13 to do review appraisals for him. Those were the words that you used. 14 Put in lay terms what a review appraisal 15 16 is. What he was asking me to do is called a 17 Α desktop review. Essentially, you don't go out to the 18 19 property itself or check things, other than to look 20 the appraisal itself over and make sure that it falls within the recommended guidelines for a proper 21 22 appraisal. The comparables are recent. They are 23 within the neighborhood. There are no excessive 24 25 adjustments made for differences in the properties,

## **EXHIBIT F**

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

WALSH SECURITIES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

CRISTO PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LTD., A/K/A G.J.L. LIMITED, DEK HOMES OF NEW JERSEY, INC., OAKWOOD PROPERTIES INC., NATIONAL HOME FUNDING, INC., CAPITAL ASSETS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT CO.. INC., CAPITAL ASSETS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., WILLIAM J. KANE, GARY GRIESER, ROBERT SKOWRENSKI, II, RICHARD CALANNI, RICHARD DIBENEDETTO, JAMES R. BROWN, THOMAS BRODO, ROLAND J. PIERSON, STANLEY YACKER, ESQ., MICHAEL ALFIERI, ESQ., RICHARD PEPSNY, ESQ., ANTHONY M. CICALESE, ESQ., LAWRENCE M. CUZZI, ANTHONY D'APOLITO, DAP CONSULTING, INC., COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY. NATIONS TITLE INSURANCE OF NEW YORK INC., FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, and COASTAL TITLE AGENCY,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. CV 97-3496 (WGB)

Hon. William G. Bassler

ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO THE COUNTERCLAIM OF DEFENDANT RICHARD CALANNI

#### ANSWER TO DEFENDANT'S COUNTERCLAIM

Plaintiff, Walsh Securities, Inc. ("Walsh"), having its principal place of business at 4 Campus Drive, Parsippany, New Jersey, by way of answer to the Counterclaim of Defendant Richard Calanni ("Calanni"), says:

- 1. This paragraph states legal conclusions to which no response is required.
- 2. Admitted.
- 3. Admitted.
- 4. Admitted.
- 5. Denied as to Walsh but admitted as to the defendants.
- 6. Admitted.
- 7. Denied as to Walsh, and denied as to Calanni. The remaining allegations are admitted.

### **COUNT ONE**

- 8. Denied as to Walsh, and denied as to Calanni. The remaining allegations are admitted.
  - 9. Denied.

WHEREFORE, Walsh Securities, Inc. demands judgment dismissing Count One of the Counterclaim of Defendant Richard Calanni.

#### **COUNT TWO**

- 10. Walsh repeats each and every answer to the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 9 above as if set forth fully herein.
  - 11. Denied as to Walsh. The remaining allegations are admitted.
  - 12. Denied.

WHEREFORE, Walsh Securities, Inc. demands judgment dismissing Count Two of the Counterclaim of Defendant Richard Calanni.

#### **COUNT THREE**

- 13. Denied as to Walsh. After reasonable investigation, Walsh does not have knowledge regarding the remaining allegations and leaves Defendant Calanni to his proofs.
- 14. After reasonable investigation, Walsh does not have knowledge as to defendant Calanni's beliefs and leaves defendant Calanni to his proofs.
  - 15. Denied as to Walsh.

WHEREFORE, Walsh Securities, Inc. demands judgment dismissing Count
Three of the Counterclaim of Defendant Richard Calanni.

#### AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Each and every Count of Defendant's Counterclaim fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Insofar as Defendant purports to state claims for misrepresentation and fraud, the allegations in Defendant's Counterclaims lack the particularity required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 9(b).

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants' Counterclaims are barred, in whole or in part, by the applicable statutes of limitations.

#### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants' Counterclaims are barred, in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of laches.

#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants' Counterclaims are barred, in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of waiver.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants' Counterclaims are barred, in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of estoppel.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants' Counterclaims are barred, in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of unclean hands.

### **EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Defendant has no authority or standing to bring this suit.

### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

To the extent that Defendant has sustained any injuries, such injuries, if any, were caused, in whole or in part, by the acts or omissions of others for whose conduct Walsh is not responsible.

#### TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Walsh had no knowledge of, and was not a culpable participant in, any violations of any laws.

#### **ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Walsh acted in good faith and did not directly or indirectly induce the act or acts complained of by the Defendant.

### TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Walsh violated no legal duty owed to Defendant.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Walsh's conduct is not the cause of any injury or damages allegedly suffered by Defendant.

FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant was contributorily negligent, and such negligence was the proximate,

efficient, and contributing cause of his damages.

FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Walsh hereby gives notice that it intends to rely upon any other defense that may

become available or appear during the discovery proceedings in this case and hereby reserves its

right to amend its answer to assert other related defenses as may become available.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Walsh Securities, Inc. seeks judgment dismissing the

counterclaim of defendant Richard Calanni, against Walsh and for interest, costs, attorney fees

and other relief this Court deems to be just and equitable.

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WALSH SECURITIES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

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CRISTO PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LTD., A/K/A G.J.L. LIMITED, DEK HOMES OF NEW JERSEY, INC., OAKWOOD PROPERTIES INC.. NATIONAL HOME FUNDING, INC., CAPITAL ASSETS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT CO., INC., CAPITAL ASSETS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., WILLIAM J. KANE, GARY GRIESER, ROBERT SKOWRENSKI, II, RICHARD CALANNI, RICHARD DIBENEDETTO, JAMES R. BROWN, THOMAS BRODO, ROLAND J. PIERSON, STANLEY YACKER, ESQ., MICHAEL ALFIERI, ESQ., RICHARD PEPSNY, ESQ., ANTHONY M. CICALESE, ESQ., LAWRENCE M. CUZZI, ANTHONY D'APOLITO, DAP CONSULTING, INC., COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, NATIONS TITLE INSURANCE OF NEW YORK INC., FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, and COASTAL TITLE AGENCY,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. CV 97-3496 (WGB)

Hon. William G. Bassler

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, TARA V. SAYBE, of full age, certify and state as follows:

1. I am employed as a paralegal by the law firm of Latham & Watkins, attorneys for the Plaintiff in the above-referenced action.

2. I hereby certify that on this date, I caused an original and two (2) copies of Plaintiff Walsh Securities, Inc.'s Answers and Affirmative Defenses to Counterclaims of Defendants National Home Funding, Inc. and Robert Skowrenski, II and Defendant Richard Calanni to be filed with the Clerk of the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Federal Building and Courthouse, 50 Walnut Street, Newark, New Jersey by hand delivery.

3. I further certify that on this date, I caused one copy of the within papers to be served via U.S. mail upon All Parties on the attached list.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

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Dated: December 22, 1997

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